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SUBJ: ANGLICAN PRIEST REFUSES BAIL FOLLOWING ARREST AT SQUATTER
CAMP

REF: CAPE TOWN 1192

SUMMARY: ANGLICAN PRIEST DAVID RUSSELL, ARRESTED AUGUST 11
AT MODDERDAM SQUATTER CAMP, REFUSED CONDITIONAL OFFER
OF BAIL. CASE WAS REMANDED TO SEPT 13. END SUMMARY

1. ANGLICAN PRIEST DAVID RUSSELL AND TWO OTHERS ARRESTED
AUGUST 11 (REFTEL) WERE OFFERED RELEASE ON R50 BAIL ON
CONDITION THAT THEY NOT ENTER ANY SQUATTER CAMP PENDING
TRIAL BY VELLVILLE MAGISTRATE AUGUST 12. RUSSELL
REFUSED THIS CONDITION AND WAS CONFINED TO POLLSMOOR PRISON
HERE. THE OTHER TWO PUT UP THE BAIL AND WERE RELEASED.
POLICE SAID RUSSELL WILL BE CHARGED WITH TRESPASSING,
OBSTRUCTING AN OFFICIAL IN HIS DUTY, ATTENDING AN UNLAWFUL
GATHERING AND RESISTING ARREST. THE CASE WAS REMANDED
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TO SEPT 13.

2. AS NOTED REFTEL, NEITHER OFFICIALS NOR SOCIAL
WORKERS ARE ENTIRELY SURE OF WHEREABOUTS OF THE
ESTIMATED 5-6000 SQUATTERS WHOSE SHACKS WERE DEMOLISHED.
TO DATE OFFICIALS HAVE ISSUED ONLY 54 RAIL TICKETS FOR
RETURN TO "HOMELANDS" AND 12 "LEGAL" FAMILIES HAVE

MOVED TO NEW EMERGENCY CAMP. OFFICIALS HAVE SUCCEEDED
IN DISRUPTING SQUATTERS BUT WHETHER THEY WILL BE SUCCESSFUL
IN THEIR STATED GOAL OF REMOVING THEM FROM CAPE
TOWN TO THEIR "PLACE OF ORIGIN" IS STILL IN CONSIDERABLE
DOUBT. IN DISCUSSION WITH CONGENOFFS AUGUST 12,
CHIEF BANTU AFFAIRS COMMISSIONER F. H. BOTHA OUTLINED
OFFICIAL RATIONALE FOR EVICTIONS, SAID TASK OF DEMOLISHING
MODDERDAM SHACKS WAS "MOST DISTATEFUL EXPERIENCE
IN MY CAREER", BUT EVADED QUESTION AS TO WHAT SPECIFIC
MEASURES HAD BEEN TAKEN TO ENSURE THAT ACCOMMODATION WAS
AVAILABLE IN HOMELANDS FOR "ILLEGAL" SQUATTERS. HE
CONFIRMED NEWS REPORTS THAT DEMOLITION OF SOME 400
SHACKS AT WERKGENOT WILL COMMENCE AUGUST 15. WHITE

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